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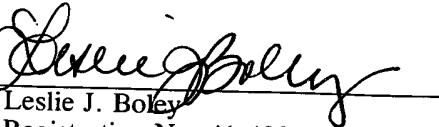
A Reply to the Restriction Requirement mailed on June 5, 2000.
 No fee is required.

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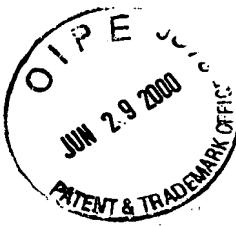
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REPLY TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

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This Reply is submitted in response to the requirement for restriction which was
mailed on June 5, 2000. It is submitted before its due date of July 5, 2000. Entry of the
following amendments and consideration of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 18-29 and 32-34 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

Claims 1-34 are currently pending in this application and stand restricted under 35
U.S.C. §121 into the following five groups defined in the Office Action:

Group I: Claims 1-17 and 30, drawn to an oligonucleotide corresponding to the
entire untranslated 3' region of a housekeeping gene, and
pharmaceutical compositions comprising said oligonucleotides, or
antisense thereof, or ribozymes complementary to at least a portion of
said UTR, classifiable in class 536, subclass 24.5;